

Oh, Samny, you're a fraud.
Tilden could not give in his evidence without making a stump speech to the committee.

Bon Ingersoll has a new book in press. It is entitled "The Religion of Sword and Flame."

This most remarkable case of innocence on record is that of Mr. Tilden, who did not know what was being done in his interest within the walls of his own house.

The labor troubles in England continue. It is estimated that from 7,000 to 15,000 sailors are connected with the strike in Liverpool. The military is on hand in force, to assist in preserving order if necessary.

A SINGULAR CATTLE DISEASE.

Strange Fatality Among the Bovines of Christian County, Mo. Result of an Investigation Made by a Veterinary Surgeon.

Sammy conjectures have been ventured as to the name of the disease that prevails among the cows of Mr. S. Schrantz, near Stenington, Ill., that I have been asked by many interested parties to give some of the prominent symptoms as viewed by Dr. Waltz and myself, who visited the farm for the purpose of discovering if possible the cause, and a cure for this terrible disease. Mr. Schrantz has a mixed herd of cattle, nearly or quite 100 head, composed of milch cows, heifers, steers, one bull, and calves from a week old upward. The stabling for the stock is commodious and as well ventilated as most buildings for stock. His feed is of a better quality than is generally found on the farm. It is composed of fodder, sheep oats, hay, straw, meal, and oil cake. The fodder is from corn chaffed in, but not so closely as to prevent its growing to a good size, the stalks having from small to quite large ears on them. It has been well cured, showing no signs of "smut" or decay. The oats are bright and sweet. To all appearances the feed is of good quality. The water is pumped from a well 40 or 50 feet from the barn and so arranged as to admit no drainage from the barn or barnyard. The well is not walled but the water seems to be fair. The cattle stand upon a floor elevated about six inches above the one back of them. These floors are kept moderately clean. Everything about the premises seemed to be as cleanly as it is possible to keep them, except the practice of heaping up the manure a few feet back of the stock.

I have given the facts above in order that all interested may draw their own conclusions as to the cause of the trouble in this herd of cattle. There is no sickness among neighboring herds.

Thus far Mr. S. has lost 13 head, confined entirely to the females. Steers standing in the same barn, side by side with the cows, have not been attacked—using the same feed and water. The cows attacked vary in age from 2 to 10 years, some milking, others dry, some with calf, others not. Up to this time all that have taken the disease have died. The duration of the sickness varies from 21 to 48 hours.

Symptoms. The first notice is a slight itching sorely at the root of the tail, causing them to switch the tail uneasily, and occasionally making a low moaning sound as if in pain. This itching gradually increases, until they back up to the sides of the barn or a fence, rubbing the tail and vagina until the parts are mangled and bloody. Then they kick spasmodically, changing from one foot to the other. At short intervals there will be a spasmodic of the entire body, and constant straining, as if about to abort. Finally they lay down on their sides and kick with both feet 20 or 30 times, as if in the greatest pain. At this stage of the disease the breathing becomes rapid and hard, and the itching extends to the flanks and hind legs, down to the feet. They will then commence to lick the flank and legs, then rake them with their teeth so as to be heard for a hundred yards or more. Finally they take the legs in the mouth and bite them up and down seemingly in the greatest agony. All these symptoms continue to increase in severity until death relieves them. During the entire sickness the eyes look as natural as in perfect health. The appetite continues good, digestion perfect, and scarcely any stoppage of the milk is noticed.

We examined one of the dead cows, and found the stomach and intestines in perfect condition, the lungs considerably congested, slight congestion about the fatty surroundings of the heart, spleen as natural as in health, liver perfect, kidneys healthy and sound, the walls of the vagina slightly inflamed. In the uterus the inflammation had been so great as to leave the parts of a very dark red color, and covered with mucous, which in some places had a creamy appearance like pus. In a further examination of the spinal cord, the vagina, uterus and surroundings, we had the assistance of several physicians, making our second post mortem far more complete and satisfactory than the first.

After reading the best authors on the various diseases of cattle, we are unable to find anything of a similar character, when the severity of the prominent symptoms is considered. W. J. Brown.

Query.—Why will you smoke a poor 5-cent cigar when you can get "Kieper's Queen," warranted 16 cents a box, for the same money? [April 11-dfr]

TELEGRAPHIC

SAMMY'S STORY.

HIS LAMB-LIKE INNOCENCE.

And His Hatred of All That Savors of Fraud.

It Was all That Naughty Nephew's Fault.

New York, Feb. 8.—At the meeting of the committee engaged in investigating the cipher dispatches, Samuel J. Tilden, immediately upon entering the room, was sworn by Mr. Hanton, the Chairman, who said: "Governor Tilden we received your note expressing your willingness to testify."

Mr. Tilden—I have a cold and cannot speak very loud. The publication and translations in the New York papers I have read. I did not recognize a single dispatch, either in the cipher or translation, which I had ever seen before. I never entered into any arrangements to purchase the vote of South Carolina or Florida. I had no information and no suspicion that any such communications were being carried on until I saw the dispatches published in the New York Tribune. I had no knowledge, and no dealings with any parties to these negotiations. I never authorized any such negotiations in any form whatever.

On the morning of November 20, 1876, Mrs. Colonel Pelton mentioned in my presence that her husband had gone for the day. I didn't know that he had gone or was going out of the city. He went to Philadelphia, I believe. Later in the day I was called on by Mr. Cooper, who was on his way down town and was told by him that he had received an offer from some party, offering to obtain, for money, the vote of South Carolina. I said that I would authorize no such transaction, nor spend money for any such purpose. The whole conversation occupied only a few minutes. I obtained Colonel Pelton's address in Baltimore, and telegraphed to him to come home. I knew nothing of the ciphers that had been passing between him and others, and I could not have translated them.

With regard to Florida, I never saw one of the telegrams, either in cipher or translation. I did not know. I was not informed that negotiations were going on in regard to illegally obtaining certificates of the Returning Board. Some time after, Mr. Marble called and told me, in a casual kind of way, about the corruption of the Returning Board of Florida.

I never saw any of those dispatches relating to Florida, either in cipher or translation.

In regard to the Oregon dispatches, I did not know that they came in cipher until after the meeting of the committee to investigate them. Some of the dispatches were addressed to my residence, No. 15 Gramercy Park. I do not know that any of those dispatches were ever delivered there. (Colonel Pelton's habits of mind and mine are very different.)

A day or two after the election, General Grant wrote a letter, recommending committees to go South to see a fair count. I had nothing to do with the selection of these committees. I never heard from them but once, and that was by a communication signed by Ottendorfer and others. I was very busy all the time, and did not undertake to correct the idea that they were my personal agents, and this report had no foundation. They represented the Democratic party. None of them, so far as I know, that went to those States were authorized to do anything that a gentleman might do do.

From the 7th of November, 1876, until December 6 of the same year, under no circumstances did I enter into any combination for seeking certificates by venal inducements. There never was an hour nor a minute that I entertained such a thought. To the people who, as I believe, elected me President of the United States, to 4,000,000 of citizens who were defrauded, I owed it to proclaim that I would not yield one jot or tittle of my right. Whatever evils may result from this subversion of the electoral system, and of a free Government, I resolved that I would enter into no action for the purchase of the Chief Magistracy. (Cheers, which the Chairman suppressed.) I was resolved that I would continue to protest against a wrong by which the people were defrauded out of their rights.

(Mr. Tilden's voice, owing to his cold, became hoarse, and it required an effort to catch all his words.)

Mr. Tilden being asked: "Who is your private secretary?" answered "George W. Smith."

Q.—Mr. Tilden, I find in cipher No. 40 this dispatch: [Translation.]

George W. Smith, 15 Gramercy Park. It has been suggested from here to the Governor of Oregon to refrain from issuing a certificate in favor of an eligible Elector until advised thereon. Why not obtain and telegraph him O'Connor's opinion? See my dispatch to Spain.

Q.—Have you any knowledge of it? A.—I have not.
Q.—Look over the translation. Have you any recollection of having received it? A.—I have not.
Q.—You have read the Tribune cipher disclosures?

A.—I did at the time they came out.

Q.—Did Smith, your private secretary, show you any of these dispatches?

A.—He did not.

Q.—He must have had a cipher. Do you know if he did?

A.—I do not.

Q.—What do you know of ciphers?

A.—I know nothing about them.

Q.—When Colonel Pelton returned from Baltimore, what was the nature of your interview with him?

A.—I said something to him about his action, and he made no reply. I did not get from him any information about the ciphers or negotiations until I saw them published. I did not believe that Pelton had any power, because he had no authorization.

Q.—What was your conversation with Edward Cooper?

A.—He came to me and said that he had received a proposition to get the votes of South Carolina for money. The substance of the conversation was that the votes were for sale.

Q.—Did he mention Colonel Pelton's name at that time?

A.—He did not.

Q.—When did you next hear of the corrupt attempt in any State?

A.—I never heard.

Q.—Do you mean to say that you never heard of any attempt to bribe?

A.—Not till the publication of the fact.

Q.—When did you first hear of the Florida bribery?

A.—From Marble. He simply mentioned the circumstance after he had returned from Florida. He gave me no details, and I made no inquiries.

Q.—Did you make any inquiries from your nephew about these corrupt propositions to buy and sell?

A.—I did not.

Q.—Then you had no interest in it?

A.—Only an interest in stopping it.

In reply to a question, Mr. Tilden said that Colonel Pelton ceased about the 1st of January to reside at his house.

Q.—Did you make any request to Pelton to cease being secretary for you?

A.—I did not. I manifested my displeasure, but did not ask him to resign his position.

Q.—Did you keep up confidential relations with Smith Weed?

A.—Not in regard to these transactions. I knew nothing of Weed's presence in South Carolina.

Q.—Did you hear from him of this proposition to buy votes?

A.—I did not. I had not the most kindly feelings towards Weed.

Mr. Tilden, continuing, said that he had confidential relations with Marble before going to Florida he called to bid him good-bye. There was nothing in the conversation at that meeting bearing on the question. It was little more than a formal leave-taking.

Tilden reasserted that in his interview with Cooper no idea of accepting the proposition to purchase votes was debated between them or thought of for a moment. As for Pelton, he was the last man in the world whom he (Tilden) would have selected if he had intended to enter into such a transaction as purchasing electoral votes.

Asked why, in his card to the public, he did not refer to the Baltimore transaction, Mr. Tilden replied, "It was not pertinent."

Q.—Do you not see that your statement that you had no knowledge of the negotiations except through the Tribune is likely to deceive, because you had heard of the Baltimore negotiations?

Mr. Tilden answered that he did not know of the cipher telegrams which had passed on the subject, nor of any negotiations, but he did know that there had been an offer in South Carolina, which he had put an end to by his intervention. "I made my statement in accordance with the truth."

Q.—Did you intend to convey the idea that you had no knowledge of this offer?

A.—I did not intend to convey any idea on the subject. I had been advised by a hundred people to do one thing and another, and I did not think it necessary to refer to the fact of the Baltimore transaction.

matter, and asked to take charge of matters, lest Pelton might compromise the Democratic General Committee?

A.—In the first place, I supposed that they had full knowledge and would be able to take care that nothing wrong should be done. The civil law doesn't recognize purposes until they are embodied in actions. The church punishes the purposes of criminals, even if they are not carried out. The atmosphere at that time was full of rumors of fraudulent Returning Boards. I declare before God and my country that the votes of Louisiana and Florida were bought (meaning by the Republicans). I would scorn and condemn my righteous title if the Democratic party had secured my seat by fraud.

Witness did not remember receiving any special in regard to the expenses of the legal proceedings in the disputed Southern States. He knew nothing about it, but supposed these matters were under the charge of some members of the National Committee. To some extent he had been the patron of Col. Pelton.

Mr. Hiseock asked if it did not occur to witness that he ought to investigate Col. Pelton's relation to the National Committee after he learned of Pelton's Baltimore transaction.

Mr. Tilden said he thought the best way to deal with such transaction was to stop it, but to do it himself, and not let anybody else do it. He thought that such course would be better in Florida than what was done there.

Mr. Hiseock objected to the latter part of this answer, and Mr. Hanton said he thought witness ought to be allowed to answer fully.

Mr. Hiseock thought so also, but witness should not go out of the way to attack other persons.

Mr. Tilden said when a certain party set up a high standard of morality, he proposed to analyze that standard, and see if they lived up to it themselves. Col. Pelton thought it excusable to fight fire with fire, and adopt the tactics of the enemy. Pelton's act was an inchoate offense. The acts on the other side were consummated and gave the Presidency to the man not elected. He did not attempt to excuse Col. Pelton. The latter did not act up to his own standard of morality.

Mr. Hiseock asked what evidence witness had that any votes or certificates were bought by the Republicans.

Mr. Tilden said this evidence was before the committee in the testimony of Mr. Melin.

Mr. Hiseock—Gov. Tilden, are you entirely clear that Mr. Melin was influenced in his action by hope of reward?

A.—I suppose so by the best recollection. I believe I shall be just to every one in this examination, and shall protect myself fully without going into matters connected with my family relations.

Mr. Hiseock—Had you any information at that time that the Returning Board of South Carolina and Florida was for sale? Give the name of the gentleman who told you.

A.—I can't give you the name of any man. I state it on evidence that would not convict any one. It appeared in the papers.

Mr. Hiseock—We will now go back to the time Pelton visited Baltimore. I ask you again to give me any evidence you have that those Boards were being corrupted by Republicans. I limit you up to the time of the final action of those Boards.

A.—I have no evidence up to that time. What I learned was from subsequent investigation. Mr. Tilden's attention was directed to dispatch No. 34.

Translation.
TALLAHASSEE, Nov. 22.—Col. Pelton, 15 Gramercy Park, Woolley asks me, say let forces be got together immediately in real earnest for contingencies either here or in Louisiana. Why do you not answer? MARBLE.

Mr. Tilden said: I don't know—understand—what the dispatch means. Don't know any large sum of money was raised by Democrats in New York after the election for political purposes, except when the National Committee was in debt.

Mr. Hiseock directed attention to telegram No. 14, from New York, addressed to Smith Weed at Columbia and signed, "Denmark," in which occurs the sentence: "Try and make [one] portion payable after votes are cast," and another portion after final result."

Tilden said Pelton did not consult him in the matter, and he did not know Pelton was in communication with Weed and others in the South.

Mr. Tilden closed his examination by stating: "These telegrams never with my knowledge came to my house."

As Tilden was leaving the Chair, Mr. Hanton, remarked facetiously, "Well, as the Returning Boards were for sale, perhaps it is fair to conclude the successful party were the purchasers." [Laughter.]

Mr. Reed (quickly)—I object to that remark of the Chairman, and ask it withdrawn.

The Chairman—Is it not a logical conclusion from the premises? but, without waiting for an answer, withdrew the remark, and there was more laughter.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Feb. 9.—W. W. Manspeaker's grocery store was fired to-night during the hours of church service, creating much excitement. The stock, valued at \$6,000, was badly damaged, but the extent is yet unknown. Insured for \$1,500 in the Home of New York, and \$500 each in the Northwestern, National, St. Paul Fire and Marine and the German American. The building, owned by George Scroggs, was damaged \$500; insured. The incendiary is unknown.

P. T. Locke has removed to the corner of William and Morgan streets, just south of the depot. He will soon reopen his music parlors in the business part of the city. Feb 7-44d

It is ASTONISHING with what rapidity ulcerous sores and crupful maladies are cured by HENRY'S CARBOLIC BALM, an external antidote to unhealthy conditions of the skin which is preferred by physicians to every other preparation containing the carbolic element. It is undoubtedly the finest antiseptic and purifier extant. It acts like a charm on purulent eruptions and has also been successfully used for rheumatism and sore throat. Sold by S. M. Irwin the Live Druggist, Decatur.

Look at Barber & Baker's slippers before you buy your presents. dec17-dawit.

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See those new spring styles Ladies' Shoes and Slippers, at Ferriss' Shoe Store. Jan. 25-d&wtf.

EVERYBODY, look at Barber & Baker's slippers. dec17-d&wtf.

Great Bargains in Camel's Hair Cloaks at Lion & Scruggs. [dec18-d&wtf]

White and colored Alexander one-button Kid Gloves, will be closed out at 40c. a pair, by LANN & SCRUGGS. Jan. 5-d&wtf.

Gents' Shawls.—Very cheap, at Lion & Scruggs. dec18-d&wtf.

WORDS OF WARNING.

During the present year, as in the past, the grave will close over thousands, simply because they neglect the means which would restore them to health. Meet the fell destroyer at the threshold, and dispute his invasion by more than won derful medicine, Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horse-radish. There is no cough or cold, case of asthma, bronchitis, blood-spitting, weak lungs, croup or whooping cough which will not yield more readily to this great medicinal remedy than any other medicine. If you would avoid disappointment, and be speedily cured, ask your druggist for Dr. Morris' Syrup of Tar, Wild Cherry and Horse-radish. Trial size, 10 cents. Regular sizes 50 cents and One Dollar. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner, Druggist, Decatur, Ill.

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Feb. 10-45d

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To John R. Smith, or whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes made in pursuance of law, in the county of Mason and State of Illinois, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1877, for the taxes for the year 1876, J. R. Smith purchased the following described tract of land, to-wit: "The north part of the east half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 34, township 17 north, range 3 east of the third P. M., taxed in the name of John R. Smith; and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1879. THOMAS W. RITCHIE, Assignee." Feb. 5-45d

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To J. A. Clements, or whom it may concern: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes made in pursuance of law, in the county of Mason and State of Illinois, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1877, for the taxes for the year 1876, I purchased the following described lots, to-wit: Lots 10 and 11, in section 14 and 15 of township 18 north, range 3 east of the third P. M., taxed in the name of J. A. Clements; and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1879. M. P. MURPHY.

Notice in Bankruptcy.

In the District Court of the United States for the matter of WILLIAM L. HAMMER, bankrupt in Bankruptcy. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A general meeting of the creditors of said bankrupt will be held at Decatur, in said district, on the 1st day of February, 1879, at ten o'clock a. m., at the office of James C. Lake, Esq., in said city, for the purpose named in the 27th section of the Bankruptcy Act of March 3, 1867. DATED at Decatur, Ill., Feb. 1, 1879-45d

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CITY DEPARTMENT.

ARTHUR E. KINNEY will be an independent candidate for City Treasurer at the ensuing spring election.

We are authorized to announce HENRY C. BROWN as a candidate for City Engineer at the approaching township election.

In compliance with the wishes of his many friends (CITY C. A. MURPHY) will be a candidate for Mayor at the ensuing city election.

We are authorized to announce W. S. NICHOLS as a candidate for Alderman in the fifth ward.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE W. PARK as a candidate for Alderman in the first ward.

W. W. SWARTZMAN will be a candidate for Mayor at the ensuing spring election.

We are authorized to announce H. H. WOOD as a candidate for Alderman in the first ward.

We are authorized to announce WM. A. DENNIS as an independent candidate for Alderman in the fourth ward.

We are authorized to announce SULLIVAN BROWN as a candidate for reelection to the office of City Engineer and Surveyor.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE V. LORING as a candidate for City Engineer at the ensuing municipal election.

We are authorized to announce HENRY STAPFORD as a candidate for Alderman in the fourth ward.

We are authorized to announce WM. H. BRAMBLE as a candidate for reelection to the office of Alderman for the third ward.

We are authorized to announce the name of JOSEPH P. LAMAR as a candidate for City Marshal at the approaching municipal election.

We are authorized to announce JOHN A. BUCKLEY as a candidate for City Marshal at the ensuing municipal election.

We are authorized to announce NORMAN PHELPS as a candidate for City Marshal at the approaching city election.

FRIDAY is St. Valentine's day.

Go to church this evening.

Get your seats for the Fanny Davenport entertainment before it is too late.

Have your furniture repaired at Howard & Ferguson's.

Read J. H. Hance & Co.'s new signs.

They are the handiwork of J. B. Ehrhart.

Read the weekly meeting of the Good Templars' Lodge to night.

Have that old mattress made new by Howard & Ferguson.

It is rumored that there is to be a fourth candidate for Mayor in the field.

Wednesday is Abraham Lincoln's birthday.

All kinds of upholstering done at Howard & Ferguson's.

The religious revival at the First M. E. Church has commenced again, and everybody is invited to attend.

Tenues were 100 out at the Baptist Sunday school yesterday morning, and 407 at the 1st M. E. in the afternoon.

New dressed chickens, fresh eggs and choice butter at Niedermeyer's, near the mound.

Try best Reynolds' sugar-cured ham at Reene's on North Water street; also, a full line of the best canned and dried fruit.

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the late Miss M. A. Clerk are requested to settle, without further delay.

Feb 10 d&wif

If you want to make a sure thing of catching the train take St. Nicholas bus to the depot. It never fails.

SHREVE'S patent process flour saves one-half the labor in baking, and will make more bread to the pound than any other flour ever sold here.

Dec 18 d&wif

Ten officials of the J. B. & W. R. H. were in the city on Saturday, coming over in the directors' car, and leaving for Pekin in the evening.

Tenues are some men and women in this town so solemn and dignified on all occasions that you couldn't squeeze a smile out of them with a cheese press. 'Tisn't so with Carmine.

EDWARD HUSTON, in the old Rovers House Block, east side of the Park, will pay the highest market price for second-hand stoves and furniture, or will exchange new goods for the same. Give him a call.

Jan 21 d&wif

Line revs and pneumonia are still quite prevalent through the country. We hear of several cases in the farming districts.

COAL! COAL!—ANTHRACITE AND BITUMINOUS—Orders left at the Furniture Salesroom, Water street, will be promptly attended to. Yard adjoining the Furniture Factory. J. H. VANDERKAM.

Jan 20 d&wif

The widow of the late Samuel J. Metten will on Feb. 22, at Kenney, sell at auction a number of horses, cattle, hogs, wagons, safe, and other goods belonging to her late husband.

Boys' nickels and quarters have gained wide circulation in DeWitt county. It is thought that the shavers have a secret mint on the banks of Salt Creek, which traverses the county, and is densely lined with small shrubbery. Several attempts have been made to discover its whereabouts, but to no avail.

As I am going out of the saloon business on the 10th of March next, I will sell what liquors I have now on hand at half price.

EDWARD HUSTON, Jan 15 d&wif

Old Rovers House.

Again we call the special attention of our lady readers to the popular light-running "Domestic" and "St. John" sewing machines on sale at J. B. Hance & Co.'s book store, in post office block. These machines are marvels of convenience, simplicity and durability—having all the latest improvements of other machines. But what is more satisfactory still, they can be had at remarkably low figures. Don't fail to see them.

Hortense Oates and now to business. E. B. Pratt, North Church street, will give in exchange for corn, oats, wheat, pork, beef, and country produce, groceries, dry goods, boots and shoes, ready made clothing, harness and hardware.

Jan 10 d&wif

THE CHURCHES YESTERDAY.

The day being fine it was well improved by church-goers, the congregations at all the churches being large and the services generally of an interesting character.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

This congregation was made glad by the appearance in the pulpit of the newly elected rector, Rev. W. H. Moore. Having been without a preacher for about a year, the members of this parish of course are glad of an arrangement for regular preaching and pastoral oversight. We learn that in the morning the congregation was quite large, and the introductory sermon by the rector able and impressive.

In the evening a REPUBLICAN reporter was in attendance, and found the church well filled. The evening discourse presented Christ as the source of peace to the believer, and as inviting all to come to Him and find rest. The sermon was eloquent, earnest and instructive, and elicited the undivided attention of the audience.

The new rector is a very pleasant speaker and cannot fail to please his people. We congratulate the parish upon its good fortune in being able to secure a pastor whose labors promise so well.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The services at this church were of a deeply interesting character yesterday, and the sermons by the pastor were able and impressive. At the close of the morning discourse the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered and two young people were admitted to membership in the church. The congregations both morning and evening were unusually large and attentive, and the spirit of seriousness which pervaded the audience showed that the labors of the past week or two in the form of special meetings has not been in vain. Under the labors of Rev. Mr. Prentiss there seems to be a steady increase of the congregation, and at present a very encouraging state of affairs exists.

STAFF'S CHAPEL.

The pulpit of this church was occupied by the pastor, Rev. S. MacBurney, who has been holding special services for the last week or two. These meetings seem to have had the effect of increasing the religious interest in the congregation very much, several persons having professed conversion and the church generally having been greatly revived. We hear the sermons preached by the pastor yesterday highly spoken of and the services as being of unusual interest.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

Special services were announced for each evening this week.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

The congregations at this church were large. In the morning the pastor, Rev. S. F. Heberd, preached on conversion, claiming that it is not the work of an hour or of a day, but a gradual work by which the subject is brought into the ways of righteousness in which there is a steady growth and development for those who continue therein.

In the evening Rev. D. P. Huan occupied the pulpit, and discoursed upon the reproach which comes upon those who advocate the truth from those who are opposers of the truth. The congregation was large both morning and evening.

THE FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

yesterday the congregations were very large, and at night four persons joined on probation. The Sabbath school numbers 407, and is rapidly growing. The religious interest is such as to warrant a meeting again to-night at 7 o'clock. The young ladies will hold their meeting at 3 p. m. each day, and the young men at 6 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend the public services to-night.

CHURCH OF GOD, (BETHLE.)

In the morning the service was well attended, and the audience showed their appreciation of Eld. Coover's sermon on the subject, "Rich toward ourselves and poor toward God." In the evening Elder Coover again preached an interesting discourse to a large and intelligent audience. After preaching two presented themselves at the altar for prayer. This young and promising minister has the satisfaction to know that his earnest labors in this city have been rewarded with the conversion of at least ten souls to Christ. Services will likely be continued two or three nights longer.

Y. M. C. A.

The devotional meeting of this Association, held yesterday afternoon at the society's rooms, on Merchant street, were largely attended, and the services were of a highly interesting character. Just before the time for the services to commence members of the Association went very quietly through the business part of town handing to each person they met a written invitation to attend the meeting. The young men are evidently in earnest in their work, and we understand that they are exercising a very salutary influence in the city among the young men.

GONE TO TAYLORVILLE.

This afternoon Sheriff Forstner went to Taylorville, taking with him June Blackburn, an inmate of the county jail, who is to be tried in the circuit court of Christian county for robbery alleged to have been committed in the vicinity of Nick Weber's beer garden south of the city on the Fourth of July last. The case goes to Christian county on the petition of defendant for a change of venue.

YESTERDAY WAS AN UNUSUALLY QUIET DAY

in town, and though during the middle part of the day there were a good many people on the streets, the best of order seemed to prevail. As night has been expected, the city election entered largely into the conversation, but good nature prevailed, and differences of opinion were expressed with the best of feeling.

Bed ticks filled with straw or husks, by Howard & Ferguson

Jan 10 d&wif

THE BROWN BUSINESS.

Detective Oliver Lee returned from Chicago this morning on the early train. Since his departure in search of the suspected robber Brown, on Sunday night, Feb. 2d, he has visited Danville, Loganport, Ft. Wayne and Chicago. At the last-named place he lost trail of Brown, though he heard of him at several places where he had applied for work. He will take a fresh start.

Coroner Dinneen was well enough this forenoon to visit his grocery store on North Broadway. He came to the city in his spring wagon.

Thos. Durham and wife, Mrs. E. Mason, and her daughter Mary, who are still in the county jail, will appear in Justice Wood's office to-morrow and have a preliminary examination.

Brown's whereabouts is still a mystery. He is not here. It is believed that he is somewhere in the east.

MOSES, JACOB AND DANIEL.—A

correspondent of the Chicago Times says the toads of Arizona are of colossal size, sometimes measuring eight inches in length, and weighing a pound and a half. They are invaluable as fly-catchers, and withal so amiable and gentle that their presence is rather encouraged about the houses, which they enter without timidity, and with deliberate and dignified leaps make a circuit of the room in quest of flies; and were to the unfortunate insect within their jump, for before he has time to raise a wing in self-defense, he has disappeared forever, and Mr. Toad is already on the alert for another house-bug.

Such favorites did they become at Camp Lowell, that three were adopted and made great pets, bearing the names of Moses, Jacob and Daniel. Moses being the oldest, largest and most sagacious, always took precedence in everything. At a regular hour in the afternoon they would leave the house, one behind the other, with Moses in advance, and hop their way to the aquia for water, and having quenched their thirst they would return in the same line of march, enter the door, and commence a war of extermination upon the flies—Moses, of course, taking first choice, but with a generosity worthy of Boaz, always leaving a few for Jacob and Daniel to glean. Ladies, send for some Arizona toads. As Josiah Allen's wife says, "they'll cum lundy" next summer.

A Source of Much Bodily Evil.

If the habit of body becomes irregular, much evil is indicated on the system. The stomach becomes dyspeptic, bilious symptoms develop themselves, the circulation is contaminated, and the nerves share in the general disorder. It is of the utmost importance that the bowels should be thoroughly and speedily regulated when they grow derelict. The corrective agent best adapted to this purpose is Host's Stomach Bitters, a wholesome, non-grating vegetable laxative, worth all the rasping cathartics invented since the time of Paracelsus. People who have been in the habit of using blue pills, calomel, and other drugs and cheap nostrums for constipation, should abandon such hurtful and useless medicines, and substitute for them this pleasant and gentle aperient, which not only produces the purgative effect naturally, but also strengthens while it regulates the bowels, stomach and liver. It cures constipation, prevents intermittent and remittent fevers, gout, rheumatism, debility and urinary troubles.

Miss FANNY DAVENPORT.

—There was a big take of seats for Miss Davenport's entertainment on Saturday, and she will doubtless have a full house. As this is the last show booked for the opera house for some weeks, people will do well to avail themselves of this opportunity to witness a first-class dramatic entertainment. Remember that Wednesday evening is the time. Persons who may fail to get good seats in the centre of the house can if they desire reserved seats on the side by paying \$1, the regular reserved seat price.

THE COLD WATER ARMY.

—This association of juveniles will give a fine entertainment at the opera house on Friday evening of this week, which will be highly attractive. Songs, recitations, and plays will constitute the bill of fare. Only 15 cents admission. Let the little folks have a crowded house.

TAKING MUSICAL CRITIC OF THE DANVILLE NEWS

ought to pull down his vest and go to a Choctaw night school or put in his time mauling rails, it doesn't matter which—either calling would doubtless tend to develop his bump of appreciation, if he isn't already given over to a blind worship of the dizzy performers of the Danville variety halls.

WORK WAS COMMENCED THIS MORNING

on the repairs to be made in the store recently occupied by Einstein. The inside is to be thoroughly overhauled, and a new plate glass front is to be put in. Mr. D. C. Shockley superintends the job.

AMONG CHRISTMAS TIME THE CHILDREN

of the 1st M. E. Sunday school were promised some sort of an entertainment in place of a "goody tree" and now a committee has been appointed to prepare for the affair, which will occur soon.

CORN NOW BRINGS 30 PER BUSHEL

for the single load on the square, and the shippers pay from 28 to 34 cents. The favorable condition of the roads facilitates hauling, and considerable is coming in. Many of the farmers of the county who are able to do so are holding for higher prices, which they will doubtless get in the spring.

100,000 BUSHELS OF CORN WANTED

by Linn & Scruggs, for which they will pay two cents a bushel more than the highest market price in merchandise, at least cash prices, the corn to be delivered at D. B. Shellbarger & Co.'s mill.

Jan. 1—d&wif

IF YOU WANT YOUR FURNITURE MADE

as good as new, call on Howard & Ferguson.

Feb. 10—d&wif

FRESH FRUITERS for sale at Linn & Scruggs.

[Nov 29—d&wif]

Facts as we know.

If you are suffering with a severe cough, cold, asthma, bronchitis, consumption, loss of voice, tickling in the throat, or any affection of the throat or lungs, we know that Dr. King's New Discovery will give you immediate relief. We know of hundreds of cases it has completely cured, and that where all other medicines had failed. No other remedy can show one half as many permanent cures. Now to give you satisfactory proof that Dr. King's New Discovery will cure you of Asthma, Bronchitis, Hay Fever, Consumption, severe Coughs and Colds, Hoarseness, or any Throat or Lung disease, if you will call at Hubbard & Swearingen's Drug Store we will give you a trial bottle free of cost, or a regular size bottle for \$1.00.

MARRIED.

In this city, Monday, Feb. 10, 1878, by Judge B. F. Gruer, Mr. WINSTON SNOW and Miss JOSEPHINA WANNER, both of Marion.

At the residence of the bride's father in this city, Feb. 9, 1878, by Rev. J. H. Locke, Mr. HARVEY PACEY, Attorney at Law, and Miss CORA D. GUNNOLD, both of Decatur.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Grindall, late of Pickaway county, Ohio. The family has been living here about three months. Mr. and Mrs. Pacey have gone to St. Louis and will return in a few days and take up their residence on West Wood street.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all kinds of Skin Eruptions. This Salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Hubbard & Swearingen, Decatur.

Feb. 3—d&wif

Joe Murphy and his excellent combination had a good audience at the opera house Saturday night, the receipts running into the neighborhood of \$175. "The Kerry Blacksmith" was presented in a finished manner, winning the hearty applause of the delighted audience. Joe is one of the leading comedians of the American stage, and as he always comes with an excellent support he never fails to draw a big crowd. The company spent the Sabbath at the St. Nicholas, and left for St. Louis on the 3:30 train, where they will hold the hours at the Olympic this week.

EXTRAORDINARY IN THE CITY ELECTION

is increasing as the time for voting draws near, candidates are getting anxious and their friends are putting in solid work. Three weeks from to-morrow will tell the story.

Howard & Ferguson make the best

mattresses, of all kinds, in the city.

Feb. 10—d&wif

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

Your taxes are due. Call and get your receipts. Office, corner Prairie and Water streets. W. W. FORSTNER, Collector.

Feb. 5—d&wif

For Sale.—A No. 1 set of butcher's

tools, as good as new. Also two horses and a spring wagon. Inquire of F. M. Garver, North Water street.

Feb. 3—d&wif

Wanted.—A situation as baker, or as

clerk in a grocery store, by one who has had experience in both places. Address SMITH, care of Y. M. C. A., Springfield, Ill.

Feb 10—d&wif

For Rent.—A house with six rooms,

on West Cerro Gordo street, by E. B. PRATT, Feb. 4—d&wif

Work Wanted.—I want a job of work,

as a painter by trade, but am willing to do any kind of work.

JOHN BLANK KIRCH, 10 Marion street.

Donnan's Walking Shoes, \$1.00, at

Furrier's Shoe Store. [25—d&wif]

Choice Bulk Oysters just received at

Gephart's, 50 cents per quart. Will be kept on hand all the time. nov 2 d&wif

REMEMBER, the place to buy slippers is

at Barber & Baker's. dec 7 d&wif

NEW

Furniture Store!

Edward Huston

HAS OPENED, IN THE

OLD REVERE HOUSE BLOCK,

A full stock of New and Second-hand

FURNITURE!

STOVES,

TINWARE, &c.

All of which will be sold exclusively for CASH at the very lowest prices. One price, to everybody. I will also buy Second-Hand Furniture and Stoves, or exchange new goods for the same.

Call and see me. Jan. 30, 1878—d&wif

OF INTEREST TO EVERYBODY!

JAS. HOWARD

Has opened a First-Class

UPHOLSTERING SHOP

—In the—

Old Masonic Building.

ALL KINDS OF

FURNITURE REPAIRED!

At the Lowest Prices.

By calling on him he will show you every thing in the line of

DECORATIVE UPHOLSTERY.

Jan. 21, 1878 d&wif

PERSONAL MENTION.

Hon. Hugh Crea departed eastward to-day.

Mr. B. O. McReynolds was a caller at the REPUBLICAN office this morning.

A. G. Benton, late of Maros, called at the REPUBLICAN office this morning. Mr. B. has taken up his residence at Forsyth, where he has opened a country store.

Constable Maury busted himself this afternoon selling off J. H. Allen's household effects to satisfy an attachment.

Z. A. Trull, of Peatoncon, Ill., is in the city on a brief visit to his sister, Mrs. I. N. Cool.

W. H. Fanning, yardmaster of the Wash-bash, gave the REPUBLICAN a call this afternoon, and reported business picking up perceptibly on that road.

Will L. Ferguson received a telegram this morning announcing the serious illness of his aged father at Fairfield, Iowa. He left at noon to-day via Peoria.

Corwin Greenman, of Kansas City, Mo., late of the Decatur Grange Store, is in the city on a brief visit.

V. H. Park this morning took possession of the agricultural warehouses on North Main street, lately occupied by A. A. Murray.

A. A. Murray and family left for Valley Falls, Kansas, last week. Raymond, the youngest son, will also leave for that point on the 19th inst.

Miss Mollie Boring was taken to Taylorville this afternoon as witness in the case of the People vs. June Blackburn. It is expected that the trial will commence to-morrow.

"The prayers of the righteous," etc. Major Frank L. Hays is happy. It is a girl this time. The "flye cent counter" will hereafter offer greater bargains than ever before.

Capt. W. J. Brown, with Dr. A. J. Stoner, druggist, has an interesting article in to-day's REPUBLICAN on a strange disease that is killing off Christian county cattle.

Postmaster Lytle has put in another desk at the postoffice, and made an improvement in the stamp department, which is generally commended by all who know of the change.

Miss Fannie Matheny, of Springfield, who has been on a brief visit to her friend Annie Stamper, left for home this afternoon. It was in her honor that the A. P. C. and D. C. party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Gorin on Friday evening.

At the St. Nicholas Hotel the following named gentlemen are registered: J. B. McGuire, St. Louis; H. H. Fuller, New York; W. C. Newheimer, Cincinnati; W. M. McDonald, Rochester, N. Y.; Wm. Tolinson and H. C. Payne, Louisville, Ky.; Will Ackerman, Cincinnati.

Wood Peddcock got to fooling around a buzz saw at the furniture factory Saturday, and a piece of knotty wood struck him under the jaw, cutting a gash four inches in length and coming within an eighth of an inch of severing the jugular vein. Dr. W. J. Chenoweth sewed up the rent, and hereafter Wood will shun knotty wood and buzz saws running at the rate of 1,000 revolutions a minute.

ANDREWS' American Queen, a very popular society paper published at New York, in its February number has the following personal item from Chicago: "Miss Nellie Shellbarger, of Decatur, Ill., has been visiting Miss Agnes Burris, of West Washington street." And in the same issue is noted the presence of Miss Nellie Johns, of Decatur, at Hillsboro, O.

TRUSTEES' SALE.

WHEREAS, Elias Hughes, of the county of Shelby and State of Illinois, died on the 24th day of January, A. D. 1874, by his last will and testament, he devised of trust of said date, convey to the undersigned trustees the real estate hereinafter described, which trust deed was duly recorded in the Recorder's office of said Shelby county, in book 51 of trust deeds, at page 104, and was made to secure the payment of one promissory note of said Hughes, of even date with said deed, in the sum of \$400.00, due five years after date, with interest at ten per cent, per annum, and also to secure any money advanced by the holder of said note for the payment of taxes upon said real estate; upon which note and trust deed will be due on the 15th day of March, A. D. 1879, the sum of \$

